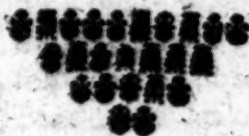


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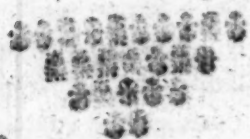
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**H**IS Majesties Commissioners for  
the County of Lincoln, lying in  
the Garrison at Newark, raised  
some Forces both Horse and  
Foot, and making Incursions  
into their own Country, and find-  
ing the Inhabitants well inclined to the King, and

His Government, resolved to march thither, and by vertue of His Majesties Commission of Oyer and Terminer appoynted a Sessions to be held at *Grantham*, upon the said Eleventh day of *April*. They marched out of *Newark* upon the fourth day of *April* aforesaid, with nine Troops of Horse, and about 160. Foot, through the parts of *Kesteven* to *Stamford*, and back again to *Grantham*, on Monday the Tenth of *April*. The Country Cherefully appeared, and brought in such Armes as the Rebels had left unplundered. At *Grantham* the Commissioners held the Sessions according to appointment, but at Eleven a Clock in the forenoon, in the middest of the service, advertisement was given of the Enemies approach, whereupon Colonel *Cavendish*, who Commanded in chief all the Kings Forces, drew them out into a body neare the Town, and found the Enemy (consisting of about 800. Horse, and 200. Dragoones) placed within halfe a mile of the Town, but on the contrary side of the River, the Rebels forces were Commanded by young *Horham*, *St John Horhams* sonne, who is now Generall over the Rebels in *Lincolnshire*. The Colonel first drew up his Forces in the sight of the Rebels, and for about an houre they faced

faced each other (the River being between) But the  
 Rebels not advancing, the Colonell having appointed  
 one Troop to guard another end of the Town  
 (in case the Rebels should have had other strength  
 to have joyned with them from other parts) & leaving  
 two other Troops, to face the Enemy that they  
 might not perceive his march with his other troops  
 marched with the rest of his Horse and Foot over a  
 Bridge halfe a mile from thence, & with a speedy  
 march came close up to the Enemy, who had placed  
 themselves in a lane, and among hedges  
 which they lined with Dragooneers. The Colonell  
 then made a little stand untill his Foot drew near  
 the Enemy, upon a little Skirmish they retreated  
 a little further. The Colonell pursued, whereupon  
 the Enemy again made a stand and faced the Kings  
 Forces, the Colonell advancing with his Foot,  
 they retreated about foure miles, their Foot being  
 Horsed, & the Kings wanting Horses, the Colonell  
 still indeavouring what he could to draw up his  
 foot with the Horse, the Enemys strength of Horse  
 & Dragoones being greater then the Kings Horse.  
 But the Colonell finding the Enemy not willing  
 to fight, & the Kings Foot not able to March, left  
 the Foot, and resolved to charge the Enemy with

the Horse alone, and upon the next morning *Janet*  
*Sher Town*, lying five miles from *Grantham*, com-  
 manded his Horse to charge the Enemy, who there  
 had made a halt, and put themselves in *Battallie*,  
 having devided their Horse into three divisions,  
 and dismounted the Dragoones. The Colonell  
 likewise having devided his Horse, at once char-  
 ged the Enemy both Horse and Dragoones. The  
 Dragoones all gave fire and slew three, and hurt  
 some few of the Kings Forces, but were instantly  
 routed, whereupon they threw down their Armes  
 and prayed Quarter, which was granted: young  
*Hotham* their Generall, and all their Horse betook  
 themselves to flight. The Kings Forces pursued  
 them two miles upon *Ancaster Heath*, Then the  
 Colonell drew most of them into a body againe,  
 and afterward pursued them eight miles further,  
 and slew and took Prisoners divers of them in the  
 chase, and totally routed the whole Body. The  
 Prisoners of the Rebels taken, are two Cap-  
 taines, five or six Lieutenants, and Ensignes, five  
 Cornets of Horse, and one of Dragoones, the rest  
 are beholding to their swift horses for their escape.  
 Of common Soldiers three hundred Prisoners  
 were taken. There was in the field amongst the  
 Rebels,

Rebells, the *Ld Willoughby* of *Parham* who often was heard to demand *Quarter*, & onco to *Griffeths* Lievtenant, and named him, but escaped with the speed of his horse, with this new Generall *Hotham*, who came into *Lincoln-shire*, but the night before, with foure Troopes of Horse, and about two hundred Foot out of *Torke-shire* which they call *Gray-cotes*, one hundred of which were taken and most hurt. The intent of the Rebells was to surprize the Towne of *Grantham*, and to have taken Prisoners the Kings Commisshioners sitting at the Sessions, which ( the Prisoners now taken affirme ) Generall *Hotham* undertook to performe.

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